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**Slaughter Slams McCain's Remarks on Colombia Trade Deal As "Out of Touch" With Working Americans**

**Washington, DC** – Rep. Louise M. Slaughter (D-NY-28), Chairwoman of the House Committee on Rules, today reacted to Senator John McCain's remarks today in support of the disastrous Colombia Free Trade Agreement.

**"As he has previously admitted, Senator McCain's remarks today in support of the Colombia trade deal confirm that he needs a little help understanding how the economy works," said Rep. Slaughter. "I would suggest that he speak with a few of the thousands of working families whose lives have been devastated by the disastrous trade policies of the past. It won't take him too long to realize that his support for the Colombia Free Trade Agreement is both out of touch and irresponsible."**

As Chairwoman of the powerful House Committee on Rules, Rep. Slaughter played a critical role in derailing President Bush's timeline implementing the Colombia Free Trade Agreement when it came before the House in April.

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